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☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on Dec 27, 1999

☐ This action is **FINAL**.

☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, **prosecution as to the merits is closed** in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 35 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

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Disposition of Claim

☒ Claim(s) 1-21 and 25 is/are pending in the applicat

Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration

☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

☒ Claim(s) 1-21 and 25 is/are rejected.

☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

Application Papers

☐ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.

☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.

☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some* ☒ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____.

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Attachment(s)

☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's election without traverse of claims 1-21 and 25 in Paper No. 9 is acknowledged. Claims 22-24 and 26 are canceled per user request.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. Claims 1-21 and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the Mastering Microsoft Office 97 (Office 97).

- As for claims 1, 3, 6, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16: In a computer system having an operating system, Microsoft Office 97 discloses a computer graphical user interface, comprising:

a primary screen (figure 5.11),

a predetermined file-container icon "My Document" (page 759),

one or more file-operation dialog boxes (figure 10.3) which are accessible by application programs of the computer and which specifies a file container associated with the predetermined file container icon as a default document container for file related to the application program (pages 238-240; 358-359).

Office 97 fails to clearly teach the displaying of the pre-determined file container "My Document" icon on the primary screen. However it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, to implement the displaying of the "My Document" icon on the primary screen. Motivation of the implementation is for providing easy access to the "My Document" icon.

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- As for claim 2: The graphical user interface further includes a destination menu item (figure 10.3) associated with a file to permit the file to be moved or copied to the file container associated with the file container icon.

- As for claims 4, 17: Figures 10.3 and 10.8 are dialogs for file Save and Open operations.

- As for claims 5, 10: Office 97 is implemented in Microsoft operating system.

- As for claims 7-8: the computer system further comprises a master file My Computer (pages 24-25) containing global information pertinent to the computer system, a shell registry (implicitly included) which stores the master file.

- As for claim 9: "My Computer" allows network access. Network administrative configuration would have been obvious to one of skill in the art (page 24-26).

- As for claims 12, 25: Claims 12, and 25 recite the steps/means for performing the functions correspond to components of claim 1, thus are rejected for the same reason as set forth in the rejection of claim 1.

- As for claims 18, 21: The file Open and Save dialog include links to the Desktop (figure 6.2).

- As for claim 19: Office 97 includes a most-recently used file menu defined to display links to most-recently used files or folders (figure 6.2).

- As for claim 20: The most recently used file menu includes a partially opened Documents icon (fig. 6.2)

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